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ASSEMBLY BILL 2880 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

INCREASED TRAINING AND FEES FOR SECURITY GUARDS

The following are some of the Bureau of Security and Investigative Services' most frequently asked questions:

Increased Training Q&A

1. Q: If I already have a valid security guard card by July 1, 2004, do I still have to complete the additional training?
A: No, but the Bureau recommends that you take the additional training to increase your value to your employer.
2. Q: Can I take the entire 40-hour training course all at once?
A: Yes.
3. Q: Where do I take the 40-hour Power to Arrest training course?
A: The 40-hour Power to Arrest training course can be administered by a licensed private patrol operator and/or a Bureau-licensed training facility.
4. Q: What will happen if I do not complete the required 40-hour training course in a timely manner?
A: Your security guard registration will be subject to revocation, suspension and/or fine by the Bureau.
5. Q: When will the private patrol operators and training facilities/instructors receive the new 40-hour training manual?
A: The Bureau will mail the manual to all private patrol operators and training facilities and instructors by July 1, 2004.
6. Q: I have completed the 832 PC training. Can I be exempt from the 40-hour Power to Arrest training course?
A: No, in order to work as a security guard, the 40-hour Power to Arrest training course must be completed on time.
7. Q: After I complete the 40-hour Power to Arrest training course and my security guard registration is up for renewal, do I have to take the course again?
A: No.
8. Q: My security guard registration expired and I would like to reapply for registration. Do I have to take the 40-hour Power to Arrest training course again?
A: Yes.

9. Q: Can I take the 40-hour Power to Arrest course on the Web?
A: No, the 40-hour Power to Arrest training course can only be administered by a licensed private patrol operator, training facility or an approved in-house security company.
10. Q: Can I take the 40-hour Power to Arrest course in a language other than English?
A: No, the course can only be taken in English.
11. Q: Can I take the 40-hour Power to Arrest course before I take a job as a security guard?
A: Yes, you can receive the 40-hour Power to Arrest training course at a Bureau-certified training facility. You can obtain a listing on the Bureau's web site at www.dca.ca.gov/bsis and/or by contacting the Bureau at (916) 322-4000.

Fee Increase Q&A

1. Q: What if I forgot to send the proper fees for the initial security guard registration?
A: Your security guard application will be put on hold until the Bureau receives the correct fee. A notice of "underpayment" will be mailed to you.
2. Q: Do I have to pay a fee to the Bureau for taking the 40-hour Power to Arrest course?
A: No, the \$50 initial security guard registration fee is the only fee paid to the Bureau for the processing of your security guard application. In addition, you must also submit the \$32 Department of Justice fee and \$24 Federal Bureau of Investigation fee.